AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula (I)

wherein the bond between carbon atoms 22 and 23 may be a single or a double bond;

 R_1 is C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl, or C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl;

 R_2 and R_3 are independently of each other hydrogen, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_3 - C_{12} eyeloalkyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl, aryl or heteroaryl; wherein the C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_3 - C_{12} eyeloalkyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl, C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl, aryl and heteroaryl radicals may be unsubstituted or mono- to pentasubstituted; $-C(=O)R_4$ or SO_2R_4 ; or R_2 and R_3 together are a three-four-to seven-membered alkylene bridge or a four- to seven-membered alkenylene bridge wherein one or two CH_2 groups in the alkylene or alkenylene may have been replaced by O, S or NR_5 ; or are a group $=N^+=N^-$, wherein the substituents of the alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkylene, alkenylene, cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl radicals defined under R_2 and R_3 are selected from the group consisting of OH; =O; SH; =S; $-NH_2$; CN; NO_2 ; halogen; C_1 - C_{12} alkyl; halo- C_1 - C_2 alkyl; C_1 - C_{12} alkenyl; C_2 - C_6 alkynyl; C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl which is unsubstituted or substituted by from one to three methyl groups; norbornenyl; C_3 - C_8 cycloalkenyl that is unsubstituted or substituted by from one to three methyl groups; C_3 - C_8 halocycloalkyl; C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy; C_1 - C_6 alkoxy- C_1 - C_6 Alkoxy-

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C₆alkoxy; C₃-C₈cycloalkoxy; C₁-C₁₂haloalkoxy; C₁-C₁₂alkylthio; C₃-C₈cycloalkylthio; C₁-C₁₂haloalkylthio; C₁-C₁₂alkylsulfinyl; C₃-C₈cycloalkylsulfinyl; C₁-C₁₂haloalkylsulfinyl; C₃-C₈halocycloalkylsulfinyl; C₁-C₁₂alkylsulfonyl; C₃-C₈cycloalkylsulfonyl; C₁-C₁₂haloalkylsulfonyl; C₃-C₈halocycloalkylsulfonyl; C₂-C₈alkenyl; C₂-C₈alkynyl; -NH(C₁- C_6 alkyl); $-N(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)₂; $-C(=O)R_6$; $-NHC(=O)R_7$; $-P(=O)(OC_1-C_6$ alkyl)₂; aryl; heterocyclyl; aryloxy; and heterocyclyloxy; wherein the aryl, heterocyclyl, aryloxy and heterocyclyloxy radicals are unsubstituted or, depending upon the possibilities of substitution at the ring, monoto penta-substituted by substituents selected from the group consisting of OH; halogen; CN; NO₂; C₁-C₁₂alkyl; C₃-C₈cycloalkyl; C₁-C₁₂haloalkyl; C₁-C₁₂alkoxy; C₁-C₁₂haloalkoxy; C₁-C₁₂alkylthio; C₁-C₁₂haloalkylthio; C₁-C₁₂alkylsulfinyl; C₁-C₁₂alkylsulfonyl; C₁-C₆alkoxy-C₁-C₆alkyl; dimethylamino- C₁-C₆alkoxy; C₂-C₈alkenyl; C₂-C₈alkynyl; phenyl- C₁-C₆alkyl; phenoxy that is unsubstituted or substituted by from one to three substituents selected independently of one another from halogen, methoxy, trifluoromethyl and trifluoromethoxy; phenyl-C₁-C₆alkoxy that is unsubstituted or substituted in the aromatic ring by from one to three substituents selected independently of one another from halogen, methoxy, trifluoromethyl and trifluoromethoxy; phenyl- C2-C6alkenyl; phenyl- C2-C6alkynyl; methylenedioxy; -C(=O)R6; -O—C(=O) R_7 ; -NH-C(=O) R_7 ; -NH₂; -NH(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl); -N(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl)₂; C_1 - C_6 alkylthio; C_1 -C₆alkylsulfinyl; C₃-C₈cycloalkylsulfinyl; C₁-C₆haloalkylsulfinyl; C₃-C₈halocycloalkylsulfinyl; C₁-C₆alkylsulfonyl; C₃-C₈cycloalkylsulfonyl; C₁-C₆haloalkylsulfonyl; and C₃-C₈halocycloalkylsulfonyl;

R₄ is H; C₁-C₈alkyl; C₁-C₈alkyl that is mono- to hepta-substituted by substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen, nitro, C₁-C₈alkoxy, aryloxy, OH, SH, NH₂, NH(C₁-C₁₂alkyl) and N(C₁-C₁₂alkyl)₂; C₁-C₈alkoxy; halo-C₁-C₈alkoxy; C₃-C₈eyeloalkyl; C₃-C₈eyeloalkoxy; C₂-C₈alkenyl; halo-C₂-C₈alkenyl; C₂-C₈alkenyloxy; halo-C₂-C₈alkenyloxy; C₂-C₈alkynyl; C₂-C₈alkynyloxy; NH₂; NH(C₁-C₁₂alkyl); N(C₁-C₁₂alkyl)₂; aryl; aryloxy; benzyl; benzyloxy; heterocyclyl; heterocyclylmethyl; heterocyclylmethoxy; -NH-aryl; -NH-heterocyclyl; -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-aryl; or -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-heterocyclyl; wherein the radicals aryl, aryloxy, benzyl, benzyloxy, heterocyclyl, heterocyclyloxy, heterocyclylmethyl, heterocyclylmethoxy, -NH-aryl, -NH-heterocyclyl, -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-aryl and -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-heterocyclyl are unsubstituted or, depending upon the possibilities of substitution at the ring, are in the ring substituted by from one to three substituents selected independently of one another

from halogen, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} haloalkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy C_1 - C_{12} haloalkoxy, C_1 - C_{6} alkoxy, C_1 - C_{12} alkylthio, C_1 - C_{12} alkylthio, C_1 - C_{12} alkylsulfinyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkylsulfonyl, C_2 - C_8 alkynyloxy, nitro, -N₃, and cyano;

 R_5 is C_1 - C_8 alkyl, C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl, C_2 - C_8 alkenyl, C_2 - C_8 alkynyl, benzyl, -C(=O)— R_8 or -C(=S)— R_8 ;

 R_6 is H; OH; SH; C_1 - C_8 alkyl; C_1 - C_8 alkyl which is mono- to hepta-substituted by substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen, nitro, C_1 - C_8 alkoxy, aryloxy, OH, SH, -NH₂, -NH(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl) and -N(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl)₂; C_1 - C_8 alkoxy; halo- C_1 - C_8 alkoxy; C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl; C_3 - C_8 cycloalkoxy; C_2 - C_8 alkenyl; C_2 - C_8 alkenyloxy; C_2 - C_8 alkynyl; C_2 - C_8 alkynyloxy; -NH₂; -NH(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl); -N(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl)₂; aryl; aryloxy; benzyl; benzyloxy; heterocyclyl; heterocyclyloxy; heterocyclylmethyl; or heterocyclylmethoxy; wherein the radicals aryl, aryloxy, benzyl, benzyloxy, heterocyclyl, heterocyclyloxy, heterocyclylmethyl and heterocyclylmethoxy are unsubstituted or, depending upon the possibilities of substitution at the ring, are substituted by from one to three substituents selected independently of one another from halogen, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, C_1 - C_{12} alkylsulfinyl, C_1 - C_{12} alkylsulfinyl, C_2 - C_8 alkenyloxy, C_2 - C_8 alkenyloxy, nitro, -N₃, and cyano;

 R_7 is H, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy- C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_{12} haloalkyl, C_2 - C_8 alkenyl, C_2 - C_8 alkynyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, benzyl, -NH₂, -NH(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl), -N(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl)₂, -NH-phenyl or -N(C_1 - C_{12} alkyl)-phenyl;

 R_8 is H, OH, SH, -NH₂, -NH(C₁-C₁₂alkyl), -N(C₁-C₁₂alkyl)₂, C₁-C₁₂alkyl, C₁-C₁₂haloalkyl, C₁-C₁₂haloalkoxy, C₁-C₆alkoxy- C₁-C₆alkoxy- C₁-C₆alkoxy- C₁-C₆alkoxy- C₁-C₆alkoxy- C₁-C₆alkylsulfinyl, C₁-C₁₂alkylsulfonyl, C₂-C₈alkenyloxy, C₂-C₈alkynyloxy, phenyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, -NH-phenyl, -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-phenyl, -NH-C₁-C₆-alkyl-C(=O)— R_9 , -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-C₁-C₆alkyl-C(=O)— R_9 , or phenyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, -NH-phenyl or -N(C₁-C₆alkyl)-phenyl, each of which is substituted in the aromatic ring by from one to three substituents selected independently of one another from halogen, C₁-C₆alkoxy, C₁-C₆haloalkyl and C₁-C₆haloalkoxy; and

R₉ is H, OH, C₁-C₁₂alkyl, C₁-C₁₂alkoxy, C₁-C₆alkoxy- C₁-C₆alkoxy, C₂-C₈alkenyloxy, phenyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, -NH₂, -NH(C₁-C₁₂alkyl), -N(C₁-C₁₂alkyl)₂, -NH-phenyl or -N(C₁-C₁₂alkyl)-phenyl; and, where applicable, to E/Z isomers, mixtures of E/Z isomers, diastereomers

and/or tautomers, in each case in free form or in salt form.

- 2. (**Original**) A pesticidal composition comprising as active ingredient at least one compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 1, and at least one adjuvant.
- 3. (Original) A method of controlling pests, which comprises applying a composition as defined in claim 2 to the pests or to their habitat.
- 4. (Original) A process for the preparation of a composition comprising at least one adjuvant, as defined in claim 2, which comprises intimately mixing and/or grinding the active ingredient with the adjuvant(s).
- 5. (Canceled)
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- 7. (**Original**) A method for the protection of plant propagation material, which comprises treating the propagation material or the planting site of the propagation material with a pesticidal composition as defined in claim 2.
- 8. (**Original**) Plant propagation material treated in accordance with the method defined in claim 7.
- 9. (Original) A tank mix composition comprising a pesticidal composition defined in claim 2.